

JUSTICE DEMANDED BY MRS. LAVENDER

Bitter Over Acquittal of Dr. Crawford—Must Face Accusers.

CHICAGO, March 14.—"I came to the church of Christ for justice, but it looks now as if I would have to appeal to the civil courts," said Mrs. Mary A. Lavender today, speaking of the acquittal of the Rev. Dr. E. B. Crawford by the most august church tribunal in the history of the M. E. Church.

The Rev. Mr. Crawford, pastor of the Woodlawn Park Methodist Episcopal Church, was declared not guilty by a jury of nine clergymen, on a charge of betraying and distorting a confession made to him by Mrs. Lavender, a prominent member of the congregation and an organizer of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, regarding her relations with the Rev. John Leek, former pastor of the Western Avenue M. E. Church.

Charges Made.

Dr. Crawford was charged, not only with betraying Mrs. Lavender's confession, but also with deceiving the Rev. Mr. Leek into thinking that Mrs. Lavender had made a written confession in which he was involved, and inciting him, by threats of exposure, to retire from the ministry.

Mrs. Lavender will be tried upon a charge of "conduct unbecoming a church member" before a jury of nine clergymen on next Thursday at the Woodlawn Park Church, and she declares that the whole story of her confession will be given to the world and her name cleared.

The trial just finished has furnished one of the strangest cases in the records of the Methodist Church, and the evidence which has been submitted has shown that the fate of three persons—Dr. Crawford, the Rev. Mr. Leek, and Mrs. Lavender—has hung upon the two words describing the confession. The words are "indiscreet" and "immoral." Dr. Crawford used the latter term in referring to Mrs. Lavender's confession.

Was "Indiscreet."

Mrs. Lavender declares that she confessed only to being indiscreet in her conduct with the former pastor, and that this so weighed upon her conscience that she made a fearful confession, which Dr. Crawford cruelly and willfully misrepresented to the world in order to ruin her and the Rev. Mr. Leek.

John Lavender, Mrs. Lavender's venerable husband, showed no surprise at the verdict and is still loyal to his wife. "I am not at all surprised," he said. "Neither is my wife. We both expected it from the beginning, for the trial was a star-chamber session from start to finish, dominated by Dr. Crawford's friends."

"Will Mrs. Lavender institute criminal proceedings?" he was asked. "We are not through with Dr. Crawford yet," was the reply.

MRS. ELLIS LOGAN HEADS THE CHAPTER

Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America Elect Officers.

Mrs. Ellis Logan was named president of the District of Columbia Chapter, Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, at a meeting in her home, 1223 Irving street northwest, last night. The other new officers are: Vice president, Mrs. Thomas H. Johnson; recording secretary, Miss Catherine Blittin Barlow; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Thaddeus M. Jones; treasurer, Mrs. Samuel G. Cornwell; registrar, Mrs. John S. Bukey; historian, Mrs. Margaret Ballard Moore; color bearer, Mrs. Henry B. Ames; chaplain, Mrs. Francis A. St. Clair; representatives to the general court, May E. Mrs. Ellis Logan, Mrs. Thomas H. Johnson, Mrs. Julian C. Dowell, and Miss Mary Barlow.

SUGGEST FEATURES FOR DUAL TOURNEY

Army and Navy Men Interested in Proposed Meet at Race Track.

There is much interest in army and navy circles today over the proposal to hold a military and naval tournament at Benning race track some time in the summer, preferably June.

Many interesting features are suggested from both branches of the service, including aerial exhibitions by the signal corps.

Gen. James Allen, chief of the Signal Corps; Gen. Clarence B. Edwards, chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs; Rear Admiral Pillsbury, chief of the Bureau of Navigation, and many other officers are working in the interest of this tournament.

GENEE, THE DANCER, VISITED BY FIANCE

He Is Frank S. N. Isitt, Member of Many London Clubs.

ST. LOUIS, March 14.—Adeline Genee's fiance is in town. He is Frank S. N. Isitt, of London, legal adviser of the Duke of Newcastle, and that nobleman's intimate friend. He is a member of many aristocratic English clubs.

Mr. Isitt, who pronounced his name "Eyzet," registered at the Southern Hotel almost a week ago. That placed him right across the street from the Olympic Theater, in which his bride-elect was dancing.

PASSENGERS HAVE NARROW ESCAPES

GRAND FORKS, March 14.—Great Northern train No. 3, westbound, was derailed early today two and one-half miles east of Granville, when the rails spread. Every coach and the engine left the track, and the baggage and mail cars turned over. The engine wrecked a small bridge in its plunge.

C. A. Simenson, of Grand Forks, a railway mail clerk, was seriously hurt, and five others slightly injured. The track was torn up for a quarter of a mile.

EARTHQUAKE STATION TO BE LOCATED HERE

Jesuits Will Establish Observatory at Georgetown University—One of Chain Extending Around World.

Washington's long list of institutions for scientific research is to be increased by one more—an observatory devoted to the study of seismic disturbances. This will be one link in a chain which the Jesuit order will stretch around the world, to the better understanding, it believes, of the cause of earthquakes.

Georgetown University will be the Washington link in this chain and already the Rev. Father Himmel, president of the university, has consented to enter into this research. Within a short time the observations of the Government experts can be checked against those of the institution of learning.

The study of seismic disturbances will be under the direction of the Rev. Father John T. Hedrick, S. J.

Stations in America.

All over the world the Society of Jesuits will take part in this endeavor to solve a problem that puzzles science. The society will have American stations, in addition to that at Georgetown, at Brooklyn, Worcester, Mass., Buffalo, Denver, Spokane, Wash., Cleveland, and Havana, Cuba.

The movement was started by the Rev. Frederick L. Odenbach, of St. Ignace College, Cleveland, inventor of an electric seismograph. He had observed that the international association for the study of earthquakes is handicapped by the use of different instruments in different countries. There are no less than thirty types of instruments in use in the various stations of the international association—too many to make any useful comparison of results.

Uniformity of Instruments.

Under Father Odenbach's idea, all the Jesuit observations in the world, eventually, will be equipped with instruments of similar make, so that the observations will be alike and the deductions will be made with some degree of accuracy.

There are Jesuit stations at Manila, in Australia, China, Japan, India, South Africa, Rhodesia, and Europe, as well as in the Americas, so that ultimately the observations will be made simultaneously all over the globe.

JURORS SAY WADE GUILTY OF MURDER

LYNCHBURG, Va., March 14.—Guilty of murder in the first degree was the verdict of the jury in the case of Ernest Wade, of Madison, charged with the killing of his sister's fiancee January 22. A new trial has been asked, and March 20 set for argument. The verdict was brought in late last night.

Wade was charged with assassinating Isaac Higginbotham, a fireman of this city, while he was en route to visit Wade's sister. The evidence against Wade was circumstantial, but strong.

ALCOHOL PROBLEM WILL BE DISCUSSED

Semi-Annual Meeting of Society Will Hear Papers by Medical Experts.

Recent disclosures of science concerning the alcohol problem will be discussed at the semi-annual meeting of the American Society for the Study of Alcohol and Other Drug Narcotics, to be held next Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in the Hotel Raleigh.

Afternoon and evening sessions at 2 and 8 o'clock will be held, at which eminent physicians will present papers on the various aspects of the subject, including the temperance movement.

The society was organized in 1870, and makes claim to being the first medical association in the world to take up the study of alcohol and the diseases following its use.

"The Urgent Need of Legislation for Inebriates," "The Psychological Basis of Inebriety, Its Causes and Remedies," "Influence of Alcohol on School Children," "A Medical Study of the Temperance Movement in the South," "What Shall We Do With Inebriates?" and "The Effect of Alcohol Upon the Body From a Scientific Point of View," are the topics of a few of the papers to be submitted.

Among the speakers will be Dr. Howard A. Kelly, of Baltimore; Dr. B. C. Keister, of Roanoke, Va.; Dr. Albert Gordon, of Philadelphia; Dr. J. G. Walton, of Richmond; Dr. H. W. Wiley, Dr. D. H. Kress, Dr. T. A. Williams, and Dr. A. McDonald, of this city.

WOMEN REMOVE HATS AT CHURCH SERVICES

Resolution Had Been Passed Requesting Them to Do So, and Promised Objection Fails to Materialize.

SOMERVILLE, Mass., March 14.—The first Sunday under the new rule at the First Baptist Church requesting women not to wear their hats during the services failed to bring forth any concerted opposition from the women.

The rule is the result of a resolution presented by State Senator Stevens, who is moderator of the church corporation, and accepted by the members, which called for the publication in the church paper of a request for all women to take off their hats during service.

When the resolution was first known

it aroused considerable opposition, but the arguments advanced by the objecting women were made futile when the pastor, the Rev. Dr. J. Vanor Garton, announced that he would have a check room equipped for those ladies who felt it unjust to ask them to hold their hats in their laps.

Practically every woman in the congregation this morning removed her hat, and those who did not were principally strangers who knew nothing of the rule.

The ushers were instructed not to request anyone to remove their hats, it being believed that ultimately all will follow the action of the majority.

CHICAGO WOMEN FORCE RIGHTS

CHICAGO, March 14.—The charter convention in the city council chamber was invaded by nearly 100 women who, by force of numbers alone, are believed to have forced the adoption of the plank calling for woman's suffrage. Eighteen men in the convention voted for woman's rights, and twelve against them.

Prominent also among the recommendations adopted was a provision for nominating municipal judges by petition and not by a judicial primary, as heretofore.

DEATH BY DROWNING IS FATE OF SOLDIER

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., March 14.—The body of James A. Shaw, a private of the Fifty-second Company of the Coast Artillery Corps, was found floating in Clarks Cove yesterday.

The medical examiner returned a finding of death by drowning. Shaw's friends think it was a case of suicide, though they know of no reason why the man should take his life. Shaw was a native of Oldham, England. He married a New Bedford woman a few months ago.

MUNICIPAL COURT OPENS TOMORROW

Business of New Tribunal Clogged by Delay in Getting Into Home.

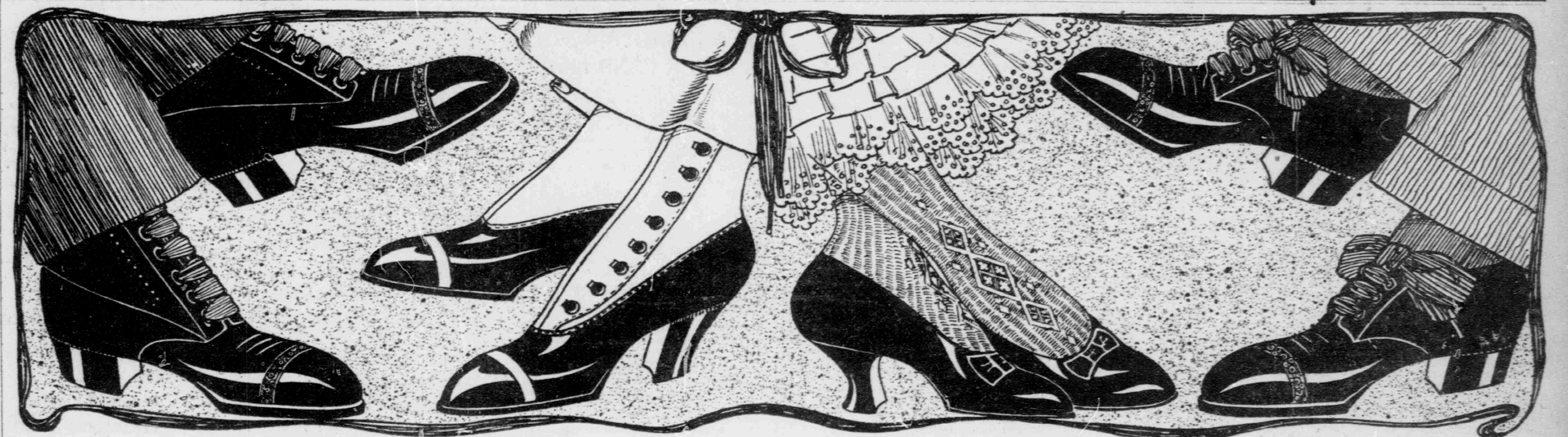
The new Municipal Court, recently authorized by Congress to take the place of the six justices of the peace courts, will be opened tomorrow morning, at 10 o'clock, in the Senator Morgan residence, John Marshall place. The six judges, formerly justices of the peace, will find the dockets badly clogged, because of the delay in getting into the new quarters.

Judge Samuel C. Mills, Clerk George F. Aukum, and his assistant, Miss Blanch Neff, will have offices on the ground floor. Judges Charles S. Bundy, Luke E. Strider, and George C. Aukum, will hold court on the second floor, and Judges Thomas H. Callan and Robert H. Terrell, on the top floor. They will sit each day, except Saturday, from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. On Saturday the hours will be 9 to 12.

SURGEON ASSIGNED TO ATLANTIC FLEET

BOSTON, March 14.—Surgeon John M. Edgar, who has been on duty at the Charlestown navy yard since June, 1907, has received orders detaching him from duty there and assigning him to the Atlantic fleet as fleet surgeon.

He has been in the service since 1881, being appointed from Pennsylvania.



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